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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Coconut Research Centres have successfully found a remedy for the disease affecting the coconut tree in various parts of the country, especially in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the assistance provided to each State in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The control measures are available for all the major diseases of coconut. For coconut root (wilt) disease in Kerala, management practices have been formulated for ameliorating the ill effects of the disease and for improving productivity. Disease tolerant palms have been identified for further use in development of disease tolerant lines.

To control the coconut diseases, the assistance provided to different states by Coconut Development Board under the Technology Mission on Coconut is as follows:

State Rs. in Lakhs

Kerala = 65.09
Karnataka = 42.98
Orissa = 29.18